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THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Meeting of the Transportation Conformity Working Group was held at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.

In Attendance:

Sayadi, Shayan UCLA Yesayan, Mariam UCLA

SCAG

Asuncion, John Luo, Rongsheng Mann, Betty Nadler, Jonathan Sangkapichai, Mana Sherwood, Arnie

Via Teleconference:

Alvarez, Grace RCTC

Brady, Mike Caltrans, Headquarters Chen, Paul Caltrans, District 12

Drummonds, Eyvonne SCAQMD

Gallo, Ilene Caltrans, District 11
Hatcher, Darian ICF International
Hill, Shannon ICF International
Knox, Ron KOA Corporation

Kuo, Ryan SCAG

O'Connor, Karina U.S. EPA, Region 9 Shaheed, Md Caltrans, District 7

Sonnenberg, Stew FHWA Vedalop, Adan STV

Yoon, Andrew Caltrans, District 7
Zhou, Min KOA Corporation

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND SELF-INTRODUCTION

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments.

3.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

3.1 **Approval Item**

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The minutes were approved.

4.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

4.1 Review of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Forms

1) LA0D450

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

In response to TCWG comments, the project sponsor will provide additional information to clarify that the project will not move traffic closer to the sensitive receptors. The clarification will be emailed to TCWG and posted on the TCWG website.

2) ORA000821

It was determined that this is not a POAQC.

4.2 FTIP Update

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2008 FTIP Amendment #50 was waiting for federal approval.
- Administrative modification #53 would be sent to Caltrans for approval later this week.
- Federal approval of the 2011 FTIP is expected mid December 2010.
- 2011 FTIP Amendment #1 is due to SCAG by November 2.

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4.3 RTP Update

Ryan Kuo, SCAG, reported the following:

- Public comment period for the draft 2008 RTP Amendment #4 had closed. No comments were received.
- The Final 2008 RTP Amendment #4 would be brought to SCAG's Transportation Committee for approval and Regional Council (RC) for adoption on November 4. Upon RC adoption, it will be submitted to federal agencies for final approval.
- A RTP/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) workshop will be scheduled either at the end of this year or the beginning of next year. It will be the first round of 2012 RTP related outreach workshop. A new RTP/SCS workshop website will be launched for easy online access to the workshop information.

4.4 ARB update

None.

4.5 EPA update

Karina O'Connor, EPA, reported the following:

- The Quantitative PM Hot-Spot Analyses Guidance will be finalized by the end of this year.
- The federal register notice was expected to be finalized which will start the grace period for the use of EMFAC and MOVES for project level analysis.
- The 2008 Ozone NAAQS Reconsideration Final Rule and Proposed Implementation Rule were still expected to be finalized by end of October 2010.

4.6 Air Districts Update

None.

5.0 **INFORMATION SHARING**

Mike Brady, Caltrans Headquarters, announced that the Transportation in a Climate-Constrained World Seminar will be held on October 29, 2010, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, and will be webcasted.

6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

Rongsheng Luo adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m. An email will be sent to TCWG regarding the meeting date for the next TCWG meeting.

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